

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

HEADQUARTERS 89[™] MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE FORT HOOD, TEXAS 76544-5000

Dear Soldier/Leader/Family Member,

On behalf of the Soldiers, NCOs and Officers of this Brigade, welcome to III Corps and Fort Hood, "The Great Place." You will soon join a proud team of professionals who train hard, work hard and sincerely care about the welfare of Soldiers and their Families.

As you know, Fort Hood is the largest Army installation in the Army and is located in Killeen, approximately 60 miles northwest of Austin, Texas. The Brigade consists of the Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 89th Military Police Brigade, 720th Military Police Battalion, and the 178th and 26th Military Police Detachments. In addition to the Military Police units on Fort Hood, the 89th MP BDE has Training and Readiness Oversight (TRO) of the 92nd MP BN at Fort Benning, the 93rd MP BN at Fort Bliss and the 97th MP BN at Fort Riley.

The 89th Military Police Brigade is a major subordinate command of III Corps and supports the Corps and FORSCOM in both peace and war. It has a long, illustrious history and is a combat ready unit prepared to deploy anywhere in the world. Units from this Brigade have deployed to Honduras, Panama, the Virgin Islands, Southwest Asia, and Somalia over the past in support of Operations JUST CAUSE, HAWKEYE, PROMOTE LIBERTY, DESERT SHIELD, DESERT STORM, RESTORE HOPE, SEA SIGNAL, JOINT GUARD/ ENDEAVOR/ FORGE, ENDURING FREEDOM and OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM. On a continuous basis the 89th MP BDE has Soldiers either deployed, preparing to deploy or redeploying. We also support the Garrison in Law and Order Operations and support III Corps in our fair share of taskings. No one has ever complained about being gainfully employed at Fort Hood.

You and your family are joining a military community that offers a broad range of services. Fort Hood has excellent Family assistance programs and outstanding recreational activities for Soldiers of all ranks and their Families. Upon receipt of this letter, please contact our Adjutant, MAJ Mark McNeill, to discuss your arrival date and identify any special requirements you may have. Mark's phone number is COMM 254-287-7538 or DSN 737-7538. We can assure you your assignment to Fort Hood and the 89th MP Brigade will be both professionally rewarding and personally satisfying. Again, welcome to the Brigade!

PROVEN IN BATTLE!

Sincerely,

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Command Sergeant Major